

**TOWN OF LA POINTE
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2013
5:30PM AT TOWN HALL**

Approved Minutes (10-22-13)

Call to Order at 5:32pm

Present: Greg Nelson, Nick Nelson, Jim Patterson, Ham Ross, Marty Curry

Staff Present: Pete Clark, Lisa Potswald

Public Present: Dave Thomas, Mike Starck, Charlie Dalquist, Kenny and Alice Cadott

I. Public Comment A*:

Kenny Cadott thanked the Board for his certification of appreciation he received at the banquet dinner. The Board thanked Kenny for his great service with applause.

II. Town Administrator's Report: Presented by Pete Clark and placed on file by Unanimous Consent. Important points include:

A. There is currently a private property hotline number for property owners to call to get their ditches, driveways, etc. repaired from any damage during the fiber optic project. Mapping of ditches for restoration has been created. Anyone with issues is encouraged to report them so repairs can be made.

B. There is progress with the *Greg Nelson Memorial Property Tax Exemption Legislation*. Department of Revenue analysis and assessment of legislation was positive and beneficial, once passed, it will broaden and deepen healthcare and emergency services on the Island.

C. The Town has instituted the new Contracting, Review, and Certification process for contractors.

D. The Town has been in communication with Ashland County with respect to Ice Rescue, the Town is most likely not going to take on the County's Ice Rescue.

III. Public Works

A. Roads

1. Foreman's Report: September 7 through October 4, 2013 Placed on file by unanimous consent.

B. Parks

1. Dock at Joni's Beach: just a reiteration of last meeting. The 'L' section of the dock will be redone this year with the current budget.

C. MRF

1. MRF Supervisor's Report: Place on file by Unanimous Consent.

H. Ross asked about the ongoing issue with the aluminum cans. Administrator Clark reported that shipments of plastic are being transported off Island, and they are accompanying each load with a few bails of aluminum. H. Ross thinks this is best because the bails are falling apart and the market is not doing anything. It is good to use the space with the plastic transportation to save money.

IV. Committees

A. Zoning

1. ZA's Report: Presented by Lisa Potswald and placed on file by Unanimous Consent. H. Ross thinks it is an excellent report; he is impressed with the more user friendly format. Zoning Administrator Potswald reported that she added Public Information Requests to the report as well as a chart that show the permits issued by month over the last five years. J. Patterson asked about the Kale case, and if there has been a date set. Potswald reported that it will most likely be sometime in October or November. N. Nelson would like the graph posted for the public to view.

2. Contract to Process Comprehensive Plan Survey Data: Administrator Clark reported that the collating and analyzing of the surveys will be an extensive process that will need time and attention. The hiring of Kaeleen Ringberg, who has great qualifications, will help expedite the process. The contract is to not exceed \$990.00, and Ringberg went through the contracting process, to which she agreed. Discussion about who should be the signature and contact person. Decision: Pete Clark. Discussion also about whether it should be done in house. Conclusion; because of Ringberg's background and knowledge, it is well worth the money.

Motion to hire Kaeleen Ringberg to process the Comprehensive Plan Survey data with Pete Clark as contact. HR/ NN 5A Motion Carried.

B. Harbors: Nothing at this time.

C. Committee on Local Food System: Nothing at this time.

D. Community Awards Committee

1. Changes to Bylaws of Committee: Motion to accept changes to bylaws of Community Awards Committee (includes term start and end dates as well as process of making nominations). HR/ MC 5A Motion Carried.

E. ad hoc Committee on Alternative Energy

1. Resolution #2013-1008: Support of Clean Energy Choice for Wisconsin Administrator Clark reported that we would be joining 20 other states that have adopted policies for clean energy and sustainability. A policy would expand opportunities for the Island to keep more power here. The Resolution takes a position and urges the state of Wisconsin to adopt a policy that supports clean energy choices. Motion to adopt Resolution 2013-1008: Support of Clean Energy Choice for Wisconsin. NN/ JP 5A Motion Carried.

V. Town Hall Administration

A. Budget Report: Not available at this time.

B. Closed Session: administrator employment agreement: Motion to go into closed session in regards to Administrator employment agreement. HR/MC 5A (Marty Curry, Jim Patterson, Greg Nelson, Ham Ross, Nick Nelson) Motion Carried. Others present: Pete Clark, Micaela Montagne.

Motion to return to agenda in open session. HR/MC 5A Motion Carried.

VI. Vouchers: Motion to approve vouchers in the amount of \$49,049.48. JP/MC 5A Motion Carried.

VII. Alternative Claims: Motion to approve alternative claims in the amount of \$156,194.89 and \$5,645.70 for the Library. JP/NN 5A Motion Carried.

VIII. Minutes

A. Regular Town Board Meeting September 24, 2013: Motion to approve as submitted. MC/NN 5A Motion Carried.

IX. Police

A. Police Department

1. Police Chief's Report: Placed October report on file by Unanimous Consent.

X. Emergency Services

- A. Fire Chief's Report: Placed 9/10/13 – 10/7/13 report on file by Unanimous Consent. M. Curry gave kudos to the Department Alumni, recognizing and appreciating their service.
- B. Ambulance Director's Report: Placed September 8, 2013 report on file by Unanimous Consent. Discussion on the large amount calls in the month of September, possibly a record. Also discussion on using the town car for students travelling for courses, once they are cleared and a contract has been signed.

XI. Public Comment B:** None

XII. Lawsuits & Legal Issues: None

XIII. Liquor & Operators' Licenses

A. Class B Retail License

1. Blue Green Restaurant Agent Change: Motion to accept agent change to Richard Gillman. HR/MC 4A (NN abstain) Motion Carried.

XIV. New Agenda Items for Future Meetings

XV. Adjourn

***This portion of public comment is restricted to one minute in length. For those wishing to speak for longer than one minute, that item appears later in the agenda.**

**** Public Comment which is longer than one minute**

Submitted by Micaela Montagne, Town Clerk. 10/10/13.
Approved as submitted, 10-22-13.